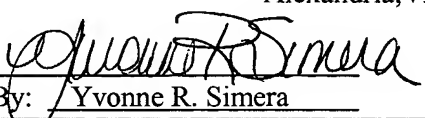


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Docket No.: 000850-10

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<p>I hereby certify that this Application and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," addressed to:</p> <p>MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p>	
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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Stephen L. Ward, Terje Gunnerød and Paul Vorkinn

For (Title): Alternate Path Gravel Packing with Enclosed Shunt Tubes

1. Type of Application

This new application is for a(n):

☒ Utility application.

2. Papers Enclosed Which Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Design) Application

12 Pages of Specification

6 Pages of Claims

1 Page of Abstract

10 Sheets of Drawing

☒ Informal

3. Declaration or Oath

☒ Enclosed

Executed by

☒ Inventor(s)

4. Language

☒ English

5. Assignment

☒ An assignment of the invention and a separate cover sheet are attached.

6. Small Entity Status

☒ Verified Statement Claiming Small Business Entity Status - Small Business

☒ Verified Statement Claiming Small Business Entity Status - Independent Inventor

7. Memorandum of Art

☒ A Memorandum of Art including ten (10) cited references and Information Disclosure Statement (PTO-SB/08A) is enclosed.

8. Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)

☒ Utility application

A. Number of claims as filed 25

B. Number of independent claims as filed 3

Filing Fee Calculation [(A-20)x \$9 + (B-3)x\$42)] \$ 45.00

9. Fee Payment Being Made At This Time

☒ Enclosed

☒ Basic filing fee \$ 375.00

☒ Recording assignment \$ 40.00

Total fees enclosed \$ 460.00

10. Method of Payment of Fees

☒ Charge Account No. **15-0697** in the amount of \$460.00. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees to Account No. **15-0697**.

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